

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING  
SOUTHEAST CASS WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT  
CASS COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT  
WEST FARGO, NORTH DAKOTA  
AUGUST 13, 2014

The Southeast Cass Water Resource District met on August 13, 2014, at 5:30 p.m. at the Cass County Highway Department, West Fargo, North Dakota.

Present were Mark Brodshaug, Chairman; Carol Harbeke Lewis, Secretary-Treasurer; Sean M. Fredricks, Attorney for the Board; Chad Engels and Kyle Volk, Engineers for the Board; and those whose names appear on the attached roster. Managers Dan Jacobson and Lance Yohe were absent.

Chairman Brodshaug called the meeting to order and explained that the purpose of the meeting was to hold the reassessment hearing on Drains #21 and #45. He explained that this is done periodically to bring the assessment district up-to-date.

Chad Engels said the main purpose of the reassessment process is to capture developed properties since the last reassessment and changes in property values. He reviewed information on the drains and the methodology used to calculate assessments. Drain #21 was last reassessed in 1998, so the assessment methodology and factors will be updated. Drain #45 was last reassessed in 2008 and there will be no change to the reassessment methodology and factors used. Mr. Engels reviewed tables with approximate assessments based on area and value. He explained that the funds collected are only used on that particular drain.

Improvements are being planned on both drains. The Water Resource District owns the drains and the City of West Fargo uses them as outlets for city storm sewer. Increases to the level of maintenance levy assessments are due to projects planned on the drains. The estimated cost for the improvements to Drain #21 is \$700,000 and the improvements to Drain #45 are estimated at \$500,000.

Mr. Engels asked for questions and comments on the assessment district boundaries.

A property owner asked about a problem with water sitting in the back of his lot. Mr. Engels suggested he contact the City of West Fargo.

There was a question about the assessment going up on their property when there was no change in methodology. Mr. Engels said it is due to the Board increasing the rate.

A property owner from Elmwood Court asked if the area drains to Drain #21, even though the area is closer to the river. Mr. Engels said that is the case.

Mr. Engels invited a property owner to contact him about problems with getting water to Drain #45 from the area west of the horse park.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business for the Board to consider, the meeting adjourned without objection.

APPROVED:

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Mark Brodshaug  
Chairman

ATTEST:

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Carol Harbeke Lewis  
Secretary-Treasurer